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This book is a practical guide to help parents understand educational assessment. It shows how good student assessment actually enhances learning, and it provides a foundation for building community support for effective practices. It offers advice about improving communication between home and school, and explains how to build strong parent-teacher partnerships. A careful look at the assessment practices of the child's school is the best consumer tool parents have. The first chapter explains why assessment is so important, while the second chapter explains how assessment fits into the classroom. Chapter 3 explores the standards of quality assessment, what parents should look for, and how to communicate with the school about assessment. Chapter 4 reviews what parents can do to help. A parents' list of seven resources is included. (Contains four tables.) (SLD)

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